House Resolution No. 2993

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Whereas, as the 2006-2007 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Gallatin R-V School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on May 25, 2007, with the retirement of Jerry Batson who has devoted several years of his life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator and counselor; and

Whereas, Jerry Batson has worked for nearly twenty-eight years at Gallatin R-V, where he is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Jerry Batson served in the Winston R-VI School District prior to assuming his responsibilities at Gallatin R-V, where he was a high school English teacher before becoming a high school counselor; and

Whereas, Jerry Batson has watched his pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge he has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, Jerry Batson has supported his profession as a member of the Missouri Vocational Association and the Northwest Regional Counselors Association, of which his is past President; and

Whereas, Jerry Batson has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Wanda Batson; his children, Shannon Shuburte, Kinsey Batson, Ayrica Batson, and Brant Batson; and his mother, Alene Marsh:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join the Gallatin R-V School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Jerry Batson has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing him the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that he so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Jerry Batson, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered b	Representative Jim Whorton District No. 3
Ninety-fo certify the	ton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, urth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do at the above is a true and correct copy of House in No. 2993, adopted May 2, 2007.
Rod Jetto	n, Speaker